

Amendments to the Specification:

After the paragraph ending at page 3, line 7
please add the following new paragraph:

-- Fig. 3 is a cross-sectional view of a lighting device similar to that shown in Fig. 2, but including a housing. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 21
with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The lower side of the cavity 20, finally, is covered by a highly reflecting second layer 121. This layer may be provided, for example, on a bottom wall as well as, preferably, on the inside walls of a housing (~~not shown~~) (see element 300 in Fig. 3) which surround the optical waveguide plate 1, so that the second reflecting layer 121 covers the entire lower side 12 and also the side faces 13 to 16, which means that there is no optical contact with the covered surfaces from the outside.